I ask the legislature to protect the entire state of Connecticut by permanently banning all oil and gas drilling and extraction wastes. No amount of regulation can prevent leaks, spills and accidents. With the current budget crisis, towns and the state cannot afford contamination cleanup, destroying tourism and fishing industries, reduced property values. More than 10 towns have recognized the economic and environmental risks of fracking and have already passed local ordinances banning fracked waste in their jurisdiction. However, local ordinances are insufficient and, therefore, a state wide ban is imperative.

Thank you for attention to this matter.

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